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FROM

LEICESTER.

Being the Copie of a Letter sent from
thence the 6, of *June*, to Mr. *William Jones* Inhabitant in *Covent Garden*.

Wherein is declared how the Earle of
Stamford being sent thither by the Parliament
to see the *Militia* ordered, comming to the *Angell*,
at *Leicester*, met with another Nobleman sent
thither by His Majesty for the same purpose.

Likewise a true Relation of a Combate fought
between the Earle of *Stamford* and the said Nobleman,
the 4. of *June*, 1642. Also the Resolution of the Gentry
and Commonalty of *Leicestershire*, presented to the
said Earle of *Stamford* by the Major and Aldermen of the said City.

Another LETTER sent to Mr.
SPEAKER,

From the Commissioners in the County of *Essex*
concerning the MILITIA.

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A Letter sent to Mr, SPEAKER,

Mr. Speaker.



Having in obedience to the Order of both Houses attended the Lord-Lieutenant of the County of *Essex* this day to *Brent-wood*, for the putting of the Ordinance of the Militia of this County in execution; his Lordship hath directed us to give you an account of the service, so farre as it could be yet prosecuted, as hee hath himselfe done to the House of Lords. There were five Companies of the Ordinary Traine band this day drawne into the field, being about a 4th part of the Trained bands of this County, and all that were directed to meet at this place, their numbers were full, and their Armes compleat, a supply being made by Voluntiers of those Armes that were carried forth of the County, upon the late expedition for *Scotland*, and one of the said Companies (being under the charge of Captain *Massam*) was doubled to the usu-

all proportion, a sixth company did appeare
at this place, consisting of about 500 Volun-
tiers, under command of Captain Barrington,
The Declaration of both Houses, touching
their indemnity, was read in the head of
each Company, and the Captaines, Officers
and Soldiers being required by the Lord
Lieutenant, to observe such further directions
as in pursuance of the said Ordinance should
be hereafter given them in charge by his
Lordship, or his high Deputie Governants;
for the service of his Majesty, and the Par-
liament, in defence of the Kingdome, they
did unanimously expresse Resolution to do
doe, and in the same cheerfully to spend
their lives and Fortunes.

Brent Wood 7. of

June, 1642.

Thomas Barrington

William Masham

William Hicks

Matt. Loomley

John Barrington.

Thomas Cheek

Henry Milmay

Har. Grimston.

Ric. Everard.

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Another Letter from Leiceſter

My Brother, I have ſent you a ſmall
brooke of ſome of the ſame, and will

It is not unknowne unto you, and
I ſhall not ſay, that the ſame
both the Houſes of Parliament
have beſtowed in ordering of the Mi-
ſerie and putting the Kingdom into a po-
ſture of defence. It is alſo not unknowne
what Plots and Stratagems the malignant
Party have uſed to prevent their Religious
Deſignes, leaving no way unattempted that
might either conduce to the furtherance
of their owne deſignes, or hindring the
perfecting of the other, ſuch hath beene
their practice in all ages, but at this time
eſpecially at Court, wherewith their flatter-
ing and diſſembling words, they worke
more miſchiefe, betwixt King and Parlia-
ment, then even their lives can make a-
mends for.

A true Example I will give you of the
ſame which happened lately at Leiceſter.

Vpon the 4 day of this preſent moneth
the Earle of *Stanford*, arrived at *Leiceſter*,
being

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being by the High Court of
Parliament to dispose and order the Mi-
litia, but coming to the *Angell* where
he intended to lodge, there met him a
Lord since from the Kings Majesty with
Commission under the broad Seale for the
same businesse, which Noble man seeing
the Earle demanded the occasion of his
coming thither, withall told him he
heard he came to seduce the Kings Liege-
People, withall charging him in his Maje-
sties name to depart, as for the Militia he
had authority from his Majesty to order
it, and he conceived that they were bound
rather to obey him according to his Ma-
jesties Command, then the Parliament;
many other sharpe and uncivill words
he gave the said Earle, which so incensed
him, he drew his Sword and wisht him
to depart or he would make that place
too hot for him, the Lord and his ser-
vants drew, so did the other betwixt whom
there grew a desperate Combat, but it
being Market day the multitude of peo-
ple rushing in took the Earle of *Stamfords*
part,

part, and made the other leave the Town with shame, the people hissing, and calling him Popish Lord, and many opprobrious words, in which time the Maior and Aldermen were assembled, and came to the Angell, where after a large expression of sorrow for that sad accident, they presented to him a paper wherein was writ their Resolution, the contents whereof was to this purpose.

1. They resolved in all Lawfull Obedience to fulfill his Majesties just Commands.

2. They resolved to maintaine as farre as in them lay, the true Protestant profession, and according to his Majesties Command, to execute the Lawes against Recusants.

3. They resolved in all Obedience to submit themselves to the Commands of the high Court of Parliament, knowing it to be most expedient both for his Majesties safetie, and the Kingdomes future security, withall manifesting such hearty Obedience and earnest Zeale to the said Earle, both concerning the Militia, that the said Earle hardly knew how to give them so great thanks as he concei-

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med was due for such large expression of their
love.

Nevertheless he with a deale of cour-
teise thanked them and animated them on
to a hasty performance of what they had
promised, and withall told them that
he would make knowne to the high
Court of Parliament, from whom they
should receive a gratefull acknowledge-
ment as a just reward for all their service
at which the people gave a generall shout
crying a Stamford a Stamford with such
joy, that the good Earle was forced to
withdrew tears of ioy standing in his eyes,
to see his Countrys love and obedience.

This is all that at this time happened
only there is great expectation that on
the generall training day our numbers
will be full, the manner of which meet-
ing in my next Letter I will give you
notice of, till which time I rest

Your Loving Brother
James Jones

From Leicester

June 6. 1642.

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